

Poulan PRO[®]

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Instruction Manual Manual de Instrucciones Manuel d'Instructions

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For Occasional Use Only

**WARNING:**

Read and follow all Safety Rules and Operating Instructions before using this product. Failure to do so can result in serious injury.

ADVERTENCIA:

Lea el manual de instrucciones y siga todas las advertencias e instrucciones de seguridad. El no hacerlo puede resultar en lesiones graves.

AVERTISSEMENT:

Lire le manuel d'instructions et bien respecter tous les avertissements et toutes les instructions de sécurité. Tout défaut de le faire pourrait entraîner des blessures graves.

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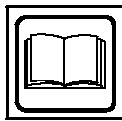
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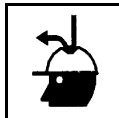
DANGER! This pruner can be dangerous! Careless or improper use can cause serious or even fatal injury.



Read and understand the instruction manual before using the pruner.



Always wear appropriate ear protection, eye protection and head protection.



DANGER! Falling objects can cause severe head injury. Wear head protection when operating this unit. Do not stand beneath branch being cut.

SAFETY RULES

WARNING: Always disconnect spark plug wire and place wire where it cannot contact spark plug to prevent accidental starting when setting up, transporting, adjusting or making repairs except carburetor adjustments.

Because a pruner is a high-speed wood-cutting tool, special safety precautions must be observed to reduce the risk of accidents. Careless or improper use of this tool can cause serious or even fatal injury.

PLAN AHEAD

- Read this manual carefully until you completely understand and can follow all safety rules, precautions, and operating instructions before attempting to use the unit.
- Restrict the use of your pruner to adult users who understand and can follow safety rules, precautions, and operating instructions found on the unit and in this manual.

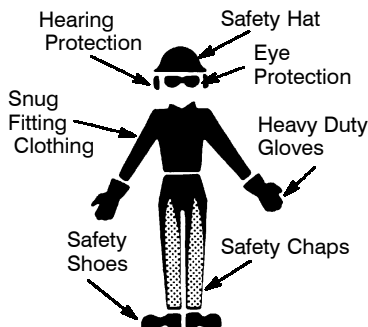


INSTRUCTION MANUAL



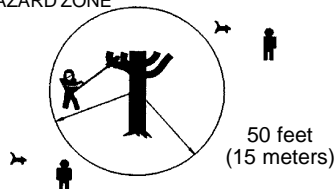
SAFETY INFORMATION ON THE UNIT

- Wear protective gear. Always use steel-toed safety footwear with non-slip soles; snug-fitting clothing; heavy, long pants, and long sleeves; heavy-duty, non-slip gloves; eye protection such as non-fogging, vented goggles or face screen; an approved safety hard hat; and sound barriers (ear plugs or mufflers) to protect your hearing. Regular users should have hearing checked regularly as engine noise can damage hearing. Secure hair above shoulder length. Secure or remove loose clothing and jewelry or clothing with loosely hanging ties, straps, tassels, etc.



- Keep all parts of your body away from the chain when the engine is running.
- Keep children, bystanders, and animals a minimum of 50 feet (15 meters) away from the work area. Do not allow other people or animals to be near when starting or operating the pruner.

HAZARD ZONE



DANGER: Do not use near electrical wires or power lines. Keep pruner at least 30 feet (10 meters) away from all power lines.

- Do not handle or operate a pruner when you are fatigued, ill, or upset, or if you have taken alcohol, drugs, or medication. You must be in good physical condition and mentally alert. If you have any condition that might be aggravated by strenuous work, check with doctor before operating a pruner.
- Carefully plan your pruning operation in advance. Do not start cutting until you have a clear work area, secure footing, and a planned retreat path.

If situations occur which are not covered in this manual, use care and good judgment. If you need assistance, contact your authorized service dealer or call 1-800-554-6723.

OPERATE YOUR PRUNER SAFELY

- Do not operate a pruner with one hand. Serious injury to the operator, helpers, bystanders or any combination of these persons may result from one-handed operation. A pruner is intended for two-handed use.
- Operate the pruner only in a well-ventilated outdoor area.
- Do not operate pruner from a ladder or in a tree.
- Do not use a pruner to cut down trees or any portion of the tree trunk.
- Only use for pruning limbs or branches not greater than 4 inches in diameter.
- Never stand under the limb you are pruning. Always position yourself out of the path of falling debris.
- Do not cut small brush and saplings with the pruner. Slender matter may catch in the chain and be whipped toward you, pulling you off balance.
- Make sure the chain will not make contact with any object while starting the engine. Never try to start the unit when the guide bar is in a cut.
- Do not put pressure on the pruner at the end of the cut. Applying pressure can cause you to lose control when the cut is completed.
- Do not run the unit at high speed when not pruning.
- If you strike or become entangled with a foreign object, stop the engine immediately and check for damage. Have any damage repaired by an authorized service dealer before attempting further operations.
- Do not operate a pruner that is damaged, improperly adjusted, or not completely and securely assembled. Always replace bar and chain immediately if it becomes damaged, broken or is otherwise removed.
- Always stop the unit when work is delayed or when walking from one cutting location to another. Stop the engine before setting the unit down.
- Use only in daylight or good artificial light.
- Use only for jobs explained in this manual (or manuals for optional attachments).

MAINTAIN YOUR PRUNER IN GOOD WORKING ORDER


- Have all service performed by a qualified service dealer with the exception of the items listed in the maintenance section of this manual.

- Make certain the chain stops moving when the throttle trigger is released. For correction, refer to CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENTS.
- Never modify your unit in any way.
- Keep the handles dry, clean, and free of oil or fuel mixture.
- Keep fuel and oil caps, screws, and fasteners securely tightened.
- Make carburetor adjustments with lower end supported to prevent chain from contacting any object.
- Keep others away when making carburetor adjustments.
- Use only Poulan PRO® accessories and replacement parts as recommended.

HANDLE FUEL WITH CAUTION

- Do not smoke while handling fuel or while operating the pruner.
- Eliminate all sources of sparks or flame in the areas where fuel is mixed or poured. There should be no smoking, open flames, or work that could cause sparks. Allow engine to cool before refueling.
- Mix and pour fuel in an outdoor area on bare ground; store fuel in a cool, dry, well ventilated place; and use an approved, marked container for all fuel purposes. Wipe up all fuel spills before starting engine.
- Move at least 10 feet (3 meters) from fueling site before starting engine.
- Turn the engine off and let unit cool in a non-combustible area, not on dry leaves, straw, paper, etc. Slowly remove fuel cap and refuel unit.
- Store the unit and fuel in an area where fuel vapors cannot reach sparks or open flames from water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.

KICKBACK

 **WARNING:** Avoid kickback which can result in serious injury. **Kickback** is the backward, upward or sudden forward motion of the guide bar occurring when the chain near the upper tip of the guide bar contacts any object such as a log or branch, or when the wood closes in and pinches the chain in the cut. Contacting a foreign object in the wood can also result in loss of control.

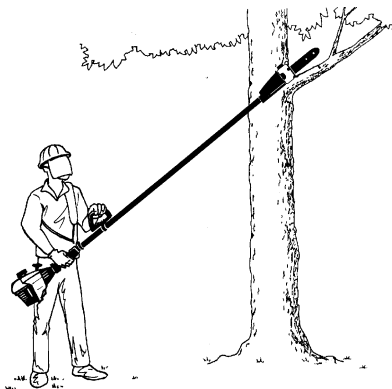
- **Rotational Kickback** can occur when the moving chain contacts an object at the upper tip of the guide bar. This contact can cause the chain to dig into the object, which stops the chain for an instant. The result is a lightning fast, reverse reaction which kicks the guide bar up and back toward the operator.
- **Pinch-Kickback** can occur when the wood closes in and pinches the moving chain in the cut along the top of the guide bar and the chain is suddenly stopped. This sudden stopping of the chain results in a reversal of the chain force used to cut wood and causes the pruner to move in the opposite direction of the chain rotation. The pruner is driven straight back toward the operator.
- **Pull-In** can occur when the moving chain contacts a foreign object in the wood in the cut along the bottom of the guide bar and the

chain is suddenly stopped. This sudden stopping pulls the pruner forward and away from the operator and could easily cause the operator to lose control of the pruner.

REDUCE THE CHANCE OF KICKBACK

- Recognize that kickback can happen. With a basic understanding of kickback, you can reduce the element of surprise which contributes to accidents.
- Never let the moving chain contact any object at the tip of the guide bar.
- Keep the working area free from obstructions such as other trees, branches, rocks, stumps, etc. Eliminate or avoid any obstruction that your chain could hit while you are cutting. When cutting a branch, do not let the guide bar contact branch or other objects around it.
- Keep your chain sharp and properly tensioned. A loose or dull chain can increase the chance of kickback occurring. Follow manufacturer's chain sharpening and maintenance instructions. Check tension at regular intervals with the engine stopped, never with the engine running. Make sure the bar clamp nut is securely tightened after tensioning the chain.
- Begin and continue cutting at full speed. If the chain is moving at a slower speed, there is greater chance of kickback occurring.
- Cut one branch at a time.
- Use extreme caution when re-entering a previous cut.
- Do not attempt cuts starting with the tip of the bar (plunge cuts).
- Watch for shifting of wood or other forces that could close a cut and pinch or fall into chain.
- Use the Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar and Low-Kickback Chain specified for your unit.

MAINTAIN CONTROL



- Keep a good, firm grip on the pruner with both hands when the engine is running and don't let go. A firm grip will help you reduce kickback and maintain control. Keep the fingers of your left hand encircling and your left thumb under the assist handle. Keep your right hand completely around the throttle handle whether your are right handed or left handed.

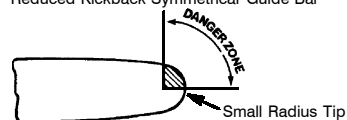
- Stand with your weight evenly balanced on both feet.
- Stand slightly to the left side of the pruner to keep your body from being in a direct line with the cutting chain.

KICKBACK SAFETY FEATURES

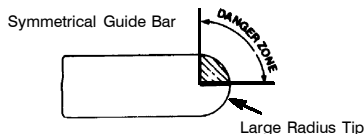
The following features are included on your pruner to help reduce the hazard of kickback; however, such features will not totally eliminate this danger. As a pruner user, do not rely only on safety devices. You must follow all safety precautions, instructions, and maintenance in this manual to help avoid kickback and other forces which can result in serious injury.

- Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar, designed with a small radius tip which reduces the size of the kickback danger zone on the bar tip.

Reduced Kickback Symmetrical Guide Bar

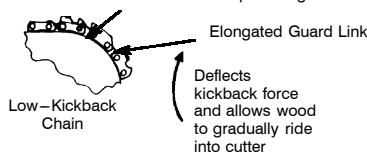


Symmetrical Guide Bar



- Low-Kickback Chain, designed with a contoured depth gauge and guard link which deflect kickback force and allow wood to gradually ride into the cutter.

Contoured Depth Gauge



Not a Low-Kickback Chain

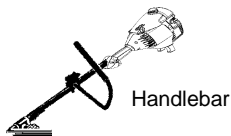
SAFETY NOTICE: Exposure to vibrations through prolonged use of gasoline powered hand tools could cause blood vessel or nerve damage in the fingers, hands, and joints of people prone to circulation disorders or abnormal swellings. Prolonged use in cold weather has been linked to blood vessel damage in otherwise healthy people. If symptoms occur such as numbness, pain, loss of strength, change in skin color or texture, or loss of feeling in the fingers, hands, or joints, discontinue the use of this tool and seek medical attention. An anti-vibration system does not guarantee the avoidance of these problems. Users who operate power tools on a continual and regular basis must monitor closely their physical condition and the condition of this tool.

SPECIAL NOTICE: This unit is equipped with a temperature limiting muffler and spark arresting screen which meets the requirements of California Codes 4442 and 4443. All U.S. forest land and the states of California, Idaho, Maine, Minnesota, New Jersey, Oregon, and Washington require by law that many internal combustion engines be equipped with a spark arresting screen. If you operate in a locale where such regulations exist, you are legally responsible for maintaining the operating condition of these parts. Failure to do so is a violation of the law. For normal homeowner use, the muffler and spark arresting screen will not require any service. After 50 hours of use, we recommend that your muffler be serviced or replaced by an authorized service dealer.

ADDITIONAL SAFETY RULES FOR OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS

WARNING: For each optional attachment used, read entire instruction manual before use and follow all warnings and instructions in manual and on attachment.

WARNING: Ensure handlebar is installed when using edger or brushcutter attachments. Attach handlebar above arrow on safety label on the upper tube (engine end of unit). If your edger or brushcutter attachment does not include a handlebar, a handlebar accessory kit (#530071451) is available from your authorized service dealer.

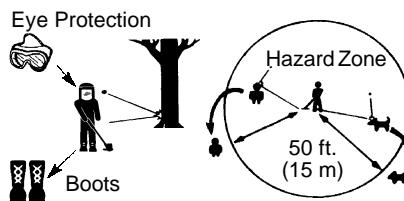


LINE TRIMMER SAFETY

DANGER: Never use blades with line trimmer attachment. Never use flailing devices with any attachment. Use of any other accessories with line trimmer attachment will increase the risk of injury.



WARNING: Trimmer line throws objects violently. You and others can be blinded/injured. Wear eye and leg protection. Keep body parts clear of rotating line.



Keep children, bystanders, and animals 50 feet (15 meters) away. Stop unit immediately if approached.

WARNING: Inspect the area to be trimmed before each use. Remove objects (rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, etc.) which can be thrown by or become entangled in line. Hard objects can damage the trimmer head and be thrown causing serious injury.

- Use only for trimming, scalping, mowing and sweeping. Do not use for edging, pruning or hedge trimming.
- Cut from your right to your left. Cutting on left side of the shield will throw debris away from the operator.

EDGER SAFETY

WARNING: Inspect the area to be edged before each use. Remove objects (rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, etc.) which can be thrown by the blade or can wrap around the shaft.

- Blade rotates momentarily after the trigger is released. The blade can seriously cut you or others.
- Allow blade to stop before removing it from the cut.

Blade rotates momentarily after the trigger is released.



Allow blade to stop before removing it from the cut.



- Throw away blades that are bent, warped, cracked, broken or damaged in any other way. Replace parts that are cracked, chipped, or damaged before using the unit.
- Do not attempt to remove cut material nor hold material to be cut when the engine is running or when cutting blade is moving.
- Always keep the wheel and depth adjusting skid in contact with the ground.
- Always push the unit slowly over the ground. Stay alert for uneven sidewalks, holes in the terrain, large roots, etc.
- Always use the handlebar when using edger attachment.

BLOWER/VACUUM SAFETY

⚠ WARNING: Inspect area before starting unit. Remove all debris and hard objects such as rocks, glass, wire, etc. that can ricochet, be thrown, or otherwise cause injury or damage during operation.

- Do not set unit on any surface except a clean, hard area while engine is running. Debris such as gravel, sand, dust, grass, etc., could be picked up by the air intake and thrown out through discharge opening, damaging unit, property, or causing serious injury to bystanders or operator.
- Never place objects inside the blower tubes, vacuum tubes or blower outlet. Always direct the blowing debris away from people, animals, glass, and solid objects such as trees, automobiles, walls, etc. The force of air can cause rocks, dirt, or sticks to be thrown or to ricochet which can hurt people or animals, break glass, or cause other damage.
- Never run unit without the proper equipment attached. When using your unit as a blower, always install blower tubes.
- Check air intake opening, blower tubes or vacuum tubes frequently, always with engine stopped and spark plug disconnected. Keep vents and discharge tubes free of debris which can accumulate and restrict proper air flow.
- Never place any object in air intake opening as this could restrict proper air flow and cause damage to the unit.
- Never use for spreading chemicals, fertilizers, or other substances which may contain toxic materials.
- To avoid spreading fire, do not use near leaf or brush fires, fireplaces, barbecue pits, ashtrays, etc.

BRUSHCUTTER SAFETY

⚠ DANGER: Blade can thrust violently away from material it does not cut. Blade thrust can cause amputation of arms or legs.



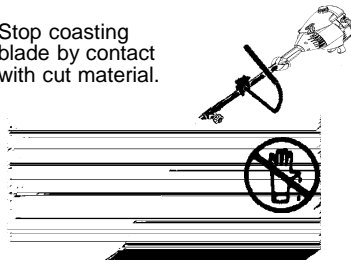
⚠ WARNING: Do not use trimmer head as a fastening device for the blade.



⚠ WARNING: The blade continues to spin after the throttle is released or engine is turned off. The coasting blade can throw ob-

jects or seriously cut you if accidentally touched. Stop the blade by contacting the right hand side of the coasting blade with material already cut.

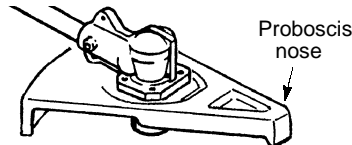
Stop coasting blade by contact with cut material.



⚠ WARNING: Inspect the area to be cut before each use. Remove objects (rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, etc.) which can be thrown or become entangled in the blade or trimmer line.

- Throw away and replace blades that are bent, warped, cracked, broken or damaged in any other way.
- Install required shield properly before using the unit. Use the metal shield for all metal blade use.

⚠ WARNING: Only use brushcutter attachments that provide a metal shield with proboscis nose.



- Use only specified blade and make sure it is properly installed and securely fastened.
- Cut from your left to your right. Cutting on the right side of the shield will throw debris away from the operator.
- Always use the handlebar and a properly adjusted shoulder strap with blade (see ASSEMBLY instructions in brushcutter attachment instruction manual).

CULTIVATOR SAFETY

⚠ WARNING: Rotating tines can cause serious injury. Keep away from rotating tines. Stop the engine and disconnect the spark plug before unclogging tines or making repairs.



⚠ WARNING: Inspect the area to be cultivated before starting the unit. Remove all debris and hard and sharp objects such as rocks, vines, branches, rope, string, etc.

ASSEMBLY

⚠ WARNING: If received assembled, repeat all steps to ensure your unit is properly assembled and all fasteners are secure. Examine parts for damage. Do not use damaged parts.

NOTE: If you need assistance or find parts missing or damaged, call 1-800-554-6723.

It is normal for the fuel filter to rattle in the empty fuel tank.

Finding fuel or oil residue on muffler is normal due to carburetor adjustments and testing done by the manufacturer.

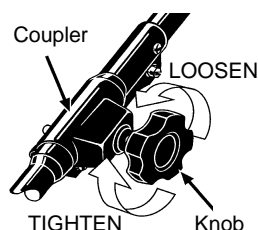
TOOLS REQUIRED

- Hex wrench (provided)

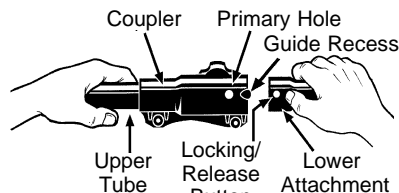
INSTALLING PRUNER ATTACHMENT

CAUTION: When removing or installing attachments, place the unit on a flat surface for stability.

1. Loosen the coupler by turning the knob counterclockwise.



2. Remove the tube cap from the pruner attachment (if present).
3. Position locking/release button of attachment into guide recess of coupler.
4. Push the attachment into the coupler until the locking/release button snaps into the primary hole.
5. Before using the unit, tighten the knob securely by turning clockwise.



⚠ WARNING: Make sure the locking/release button is locked in the primary hole and the knob is securely tightened before operating the unit. All attachments are designed to be used in the primary hole.

For optional attachments, see the ASSEMBLY section of the applicable attachment instruction manual.

SHOULDER STRAP ASSEMBLY

⚠ WARNING: Proper shoulder strap adjustments must be made with the engine completely stopped before using unit.

1. Try on shoulder strap and adjust for fit and balance before starting the engine or beginning a cutting operation.
2. Insert your right arm and head through the shoulder strap and allow it to rest on your left shoulder. Make sure the danger sign is centered on your back and the hook is to the right side of your waist.

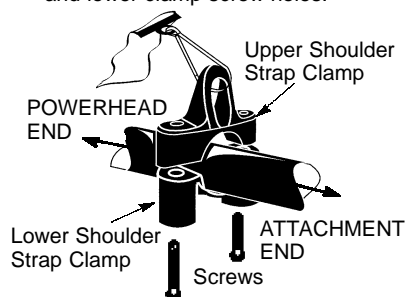
NOTE: A one-half twist is built in the shoulder strap to allow the strap to rest flat on the shoulder.

3. Adjust the strap, allowing the hook to be about 3 - 6 inches below the waist.
4. Fasten the strap hook to the clamp located between the throttle handle and the assist handle and lift the tool to the operating position.

NOTE: It may be necessary to relocate the shoulder strap clamp on the shaft for proper balancing of unit.

TO RELOCATE SHOULDER STRAP CLAMP:

1. Loosen and remove both clamp screws.
2. Place the upper shoulder strap clamp over the upper tube.
3. Position the lower shoulder strap clamp under the upper tube and align the upper and lower clamp screw holes.



4. Insert two screws into the screw holes.
5. Secure shoulder strap clamp by tightening screws with a hex wrench.

ADJUSTING THE ASSIST HANDLE

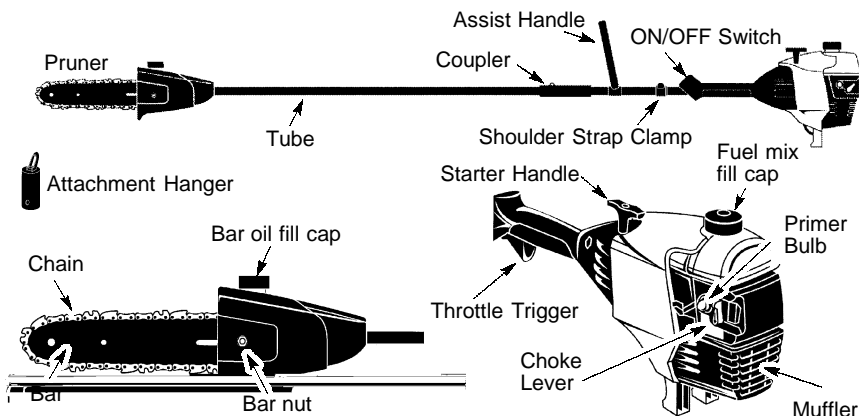
⚠ WARNING: When adjusting the assist handle, be sure it remains between the coupler and the lower arrow (closest to coupler) on the safety label to ensure proper balancing of unit. When adjusting the assist handle or handlebar during use of optional attachments, it must be repositioned between the throttle trigger and the upper arrow (closest to engine) on the safety label.

1. Loosen wing nut on handle.
2. Rotate the handle on the tube to an up-right position; retighten wing nut.

OPERATION

KNOW YOUR PRUNER

READ THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND SAFETY RULES BEFORE OPERATING YOUR UNIT. Compare the illustrations with your unit to familiarize yourself with the location of the various controls and adjustments. Save this manual for future reference.



ON/OFF SWITCH

The ON/OFF switch is located on the trigger handle and is used to stop the engine. Move the switch to the OFF position to stop the engine.

PRIMER BULB

The PRIMER BULB removes air from the carburetor and fuel lines and fills them with fuel. This allows you to start the engine with fewer pulls on the starter rope. Activate the primer bulb by pressing it and allowing it to return to its original form.

CHOKE

The CHOKE helps to supply fuel to the engine to aid in cold starting. Activate the choke by

moving the choke lever to the FULL CHOKE position. After the engine attempts to start, move the choke lever to the HALF CHOKE position. Once engine has started, move the choke lever to the OFF CHOKE position.

COUPLER

The COUPLER enables optional attachments to be installed on the unit.

CHAIN TENSION

It is normal for a new chain to stretch during first 15 minutes of operation. You should check your chain tension frequently. See CHAIN TENSION in the SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS section.

BEFORE STARTING ENGINE

WARNING: Be sure to read the fuel information in the safety rules before you begin. If you do not understand the safety rules, do not attempt to fuel your unit. Call 1-800-554-6723.

FUELING ENGINE

WARNING: Remove fuel cap slowly when refueling.

This engine is certified to operate on unleaded gasoline. Before operation, gasoline must be mixed with a good quality synthetic 2-cycle air-cooled engine oil designed to be mixed at a ratio of 40:1. Poulan/Weed Eater brand synthetic oil is recommended. Mix gasoline and oil at a ratio of 40:1. A 40:1 ratio is obtained by mixing 3.2 ounces (95 ml) of oil with 1 gallon (4 liters) of unleaded gasoline. **DONOT USE** automotive oil or boat oil. These oils will cause engine damage. When mixing fuel, follow instructions printed on container.

Once oil is added to gasoline, shake container momentarily to assure that the fuel is thoroughly mixed. Always read and follow the safety rules relating to fuel before fueling your unit.

BAR AND CHAIN LUBRICATION

The bar and chain require lubrication. The chain oiler provides continuous lubrication to the chain and guide bar. Be sure to fill the bar oil tank when you fill the fuel tank (Capacity = 4.6 fl. oz.). Lack of oil will quickly ruin the bar and chain. Too little oil will cause overheating shown by smoke coming from the chain and/or discoloration of the bar. The oil output is automatically metered during operation. Always fill the bar oil tank when you fill the fuel tank.

Genuine Poulan® or Poulan PRO® bar and chain oil is recommended to protect your unit against excessive wear from heat and friction. Poulan® or Poulan PRO® oil resists high temperature thinning. If Poulan® or Poulan PRO® bar and chain oil is not available, use a good grade SAE 30 oil.

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STARTING A WARM ENGINE

1. Move ON/OFF switch to the ON position.
2. Move the choke lever to the HALF CHOKE position.
3. Squeeze and hold the throttle trigger. Keep throttle trigger fully squeezed until the engine runs smoothly.
4. Pull starter rope sharply until engine runs, but no more than 5 pulls.
5. Allow engine to run 15 seconds, then move the choke lever to the OFF CHOKE position.

NOTE: If engine has not started, pull starter rope 5 more pulls. If engine still does not run, it is probably flooded.

STARTING A FLOODED ENGINE

Flooded engines can be started by placing the choke lever in the OFF CHOKE position; then, pull the rope to clear the engine of excess fuel. This could require pulling the starter handle many times depending on how badly the unit is flooded.

If the unit still doesn't start, refer to TROUBLESHOOTING TABLE or call 1-800-554-6723.

OPERATING THE COUPLER

This model is equipped with a coupler which enables optional attachments to be installed. The optional attachments are:

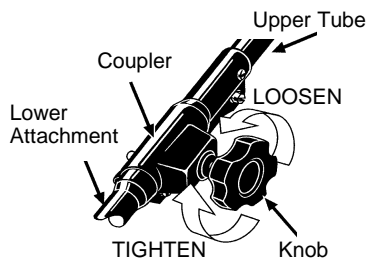
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Edger	PP1000E
Cultivator	PP2000T
Blower	PP3000B
Brushcutter	PP4000C

WARNING: Always stop unit and disconnect spark plug before removing or installing attachments.

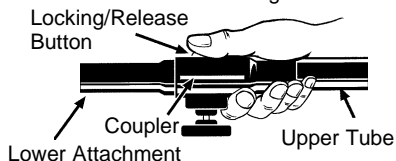
REMOVING PRUNER ATTACHMENT (OR OTHER OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS)

CAUTION: When removing or installing attachments, place the unit on a flat surface for stability.

1. Loosen the coupler by turning the knob counterclockwise.



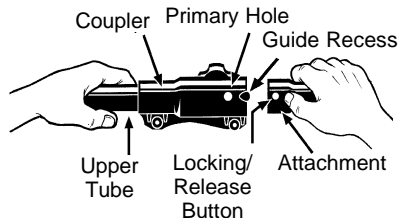
2. Press and hold the locking/release button.



3. While securely holding the engine and upper tube, pull the attachment straight out of the coupler.

INSTALLING OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS

1. Remove the tube cap from the attachment (if present).
2. Position locking/release button of attachment into guide recess of coupler.
3. Push the attachment into the coupler until the locking/release button snaps into the primary hole.
4. Before using the unit, tighten the knob securely by turning clockwise.



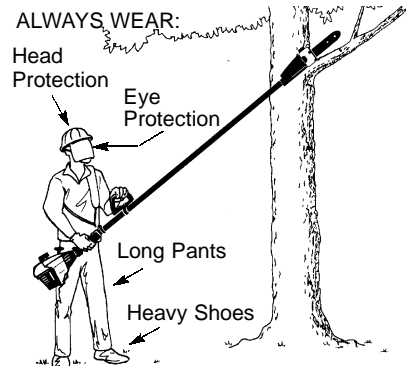
WARNING: Make sure the locking/release button is locked in the primary hole and the knob is securely tightened before operating the unit.

INSTALLING ATTACHMENT HANGER

An attachment hanger is provided for storage when attachment is not in use. To install hanger on attachment:

1. Remove the tube cap from the attachment (if present) and discard.
2. Press and hold the locking/release button.
3. Push hanger onto the attachment until the locking/release button snaps into the hole.

OPERATING POSITION



DANGER: Do not extend arms above shoulders while pruning. Do not stand beneath branch being cut.

WARNING: Always wear head, eye, hearing, foot and body protection to reduce the risk of injury when operating this unit.

- Oil tank - Discontinue use of unit if oil tank shows signs of damage or leaks.

INSPECT AND CLEAN UNIT AND LABELS

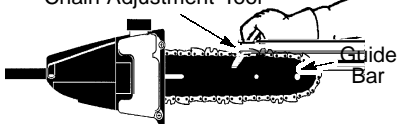
- After each use, inspect complete unit for loose or damaged parts. Clean the unit and labels using a damp cloth with a mild detergent.
- Wipe off unit with a clean dry cloth.

CHECK CHAIN TENSION

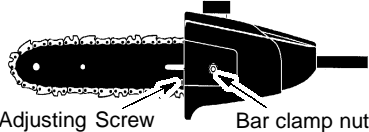
⚠ WARNING: Wear protective gloves when handling chain. The chain is sharp and can cut you even when it is not moving. Make chain adjustments with lower end supported. Chain tension is very important. Chains stretch during use. This is especially true during the first few times you use your pruner. Always check chain tension each time you use and refuel your unit.

1. Use the screwdriver end of the chain adjustment tool (bar tool) to move chain around guide bar to ensure kinks do not exist. The chain should rotate freely.

Chain Adjustment Tool



2. Loosen bar clamp nut until it is finger tight against the bar clamp.



Adjusting Screw

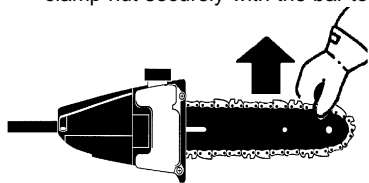
Bar clamp nut

3. Turn adjusting screw clockwise until chain solidly contacts bottom of guide bar rail. Then, turn adjusting screw an additional 1/4 turn.

Adjusting Screw - 1/4 Turn



4. Using bar tool, roll chain around guide bar to ensure all links are in bar groove.
5. Lift up tip of guide bar to check for sag. Release tip of guide bar, then turn adjusting screw 1/4 turn clockwise. Repeat until sag does not exist.
6. While lifting tip of guide bar, tighten bar clamp nut securely with the bar tool.



7. Use the screwdriver end of the bar tool to move chain around guide bar.
8. If chain does not rotate, it is too tight. Slightly loosen bar clamp nut and loosen chain by turning the adjusting screw 1/4 turn counterclockwise. Retighten bar clamp nut.
9. If chain is too loose, it will sag below the guide bar and needs to be tightened following above procedure.

⚠ WARNING: DO NOT operate the pruner if the chain is loose. If the pruner is operated with a loose chain, the chain could jump off the guide bar and result in serious injury.

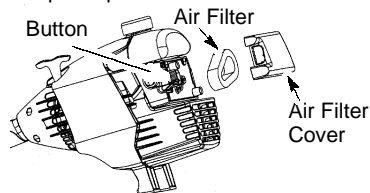
CHECK CHAIN SHARPNESS

A sharp chain makes wood chips. A dull chain makes a sawdust powder and cuts slowly. See CHAIN SHARPENING in the SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS section.

CLEAN AIR FILTER

A dirty air filter decreases engine performance and increases fuel consumption and harmful emissions. Always clean after every 5 hours of operation.

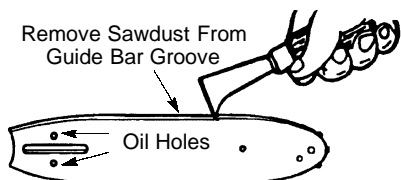
1. Clean the cover and the area around it to keep dirt from falling into the carburetor chamber when the cover is removed.
 2. Remove parts by pressing button to release air filter cover.
- NOTE:** To avoid creating a fire hazard or producing harmful evaporative emissions, do not clean filter in gasoline or other flammable solvent.
3. Wash the filter in soap and water.
 4. Allow filter to dry.
 5. Add a few drops of oil to the filter; squeeze the filter to distribute oil.
 6. Replace parts.



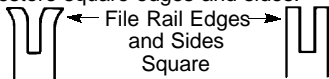
Button

Air Filter

Air Filter Cover



- Burring of guide bar rails is a normal process of rail wear. Remove these burrs with a flat file.
- When rail top is uneven, use a flat file to restore square edges and sides.

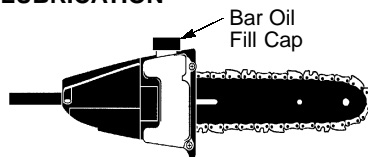


Worn Groove

Correct Groove

Replace guide bar when the groove is worn, the guide bar is bent or cracked, or when excess heating or burring of the rails occurs. If replacement is necessary, use only the guide bar specified for your pruner in the repair parts list.

LUBRICATION



- See GUIDE BAR AND CHAIN OIL under the OPERATION section.

REPLACE SPARK PLUG

Replace the spark plug each year to ensure the engine starts easier and runs better. Set spark plug gap at 0.025 inch. Ignition timing is fixed and nonadjustable.

1. Twist, then pull off spark plug boot.
2. Remove spark plug from cylinder and discard.
3. Replace with Champion RCJ-6Y spark plug and tighten securely with a 3/4 inch socket wrench.
4. Reinstall the spark plug boot.

SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

WARNING: Disconnect the spark plug before performing maintenance, service, or adjustments except for carburetor adjustments.

CHAIN SHARPENING

Chain sharpening is a complicated task that requires special tools. We recommend you refer chain sharpening to a professional chain sharpener.

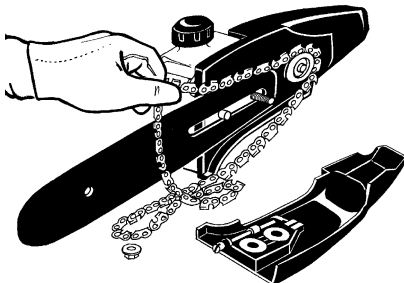
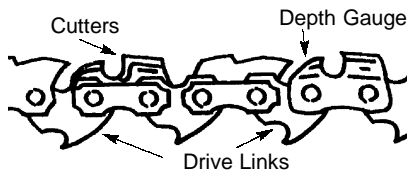
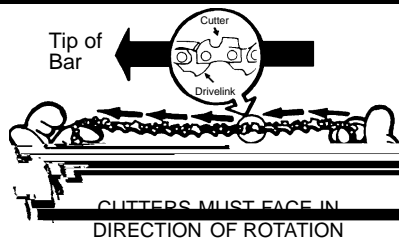
CHAIN REPLACEMENT

WARNING: Wear protective gloves when handling chain. The chain is sharp and can cut you even when it is not moving. It is normal for a new chain to stretch during the first 15 minutes of operation. You should re-check your chain tension frequently and adjust the chain tension as required. See CHAIN TENSION section.

Replace the old chain when it becomes worn or damaged. Use only the Low-Kickback replacement chain specified in the repair parts list.

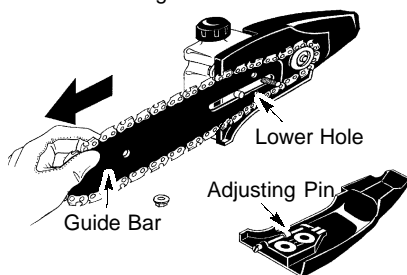
TO REPLACE CHAIN:

1. Move ON/OFF switch to the OFF position and disconnect spark plug.
2. Remove bar clamp nut.
3. Remove bar clamp.
4. Turn adjusting screw by hand counter-clockwise until adjusting pin just touches the stop.
5. Slide guide bar behind sprocket until guide bar stops against sprocket.
6. Remove the old chain.
7. Carefully remove new chain from package. Hold chain with the drive links as shown.



8. Place chain over sprocket, fitting the drive links in the sprocket.
9. Fit bottom of drive links between the teeth in the sprocket in the nose of the guide bar.
10. Fit chain drive links into bar groove.

11. Pull guide bar forward until chain is snug in guide bar groove. Ensure all drive links are in the bar groove.
12. Now, install bar clamp making sure the adjusting pin is positioned in the lower hole in the guide bar.



13. Install bar clamp nut and finger tighten only. Do not tighten any further at this point. Proceed to the CHAIN ADJUSTMENT section.

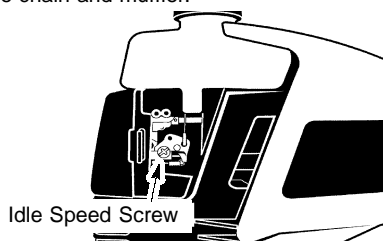
CHAIN ADJUSTMENT

See CHECK CHAIN TENSION in MAINTENANCE section.

CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENT

⚠ WARNING: Keep others away when making idle speed adjustments. The chain will be moving during most of this procedure. Wear your protective equipment and observe all safety precautions. After making adjustments, the chain must not move at idle speed. The carburetor has been carefully set at the factory. Adjustment to the idle speed may be necessary if you notice any of the following conditions:

- Engine will not idle when the throttle is released.
 - The chain moves at idle.
- Make adjustments with the unit supported so the pruner is off the ground and the chain will not make contact with any object. Hold the unit by hand while running and making adjustments. Keep all parts of your body away from the chain and muffler.



IDLE SPEED ADJUSTMENT

Allow engine to idle. Adjust idle speed until engine runs without chain moving (idle too fast) or stalling (idle speed too slow).

- Turn idle speed screw clockwise to increase engine speed if engine stalls or dies.
- Turn idle speed screw counterclockwise to decrease engine speed if chain moves at idle.

⚠ WARNING: Recheck the idle speed after each adjustment. The chain must not move at idle speed to avoid serious injury to the operator or others.

If you require further assistance or are unsure about performing this procedure, contact your authorized service dealer or call 1-800-554-6723.

STORAGE

⚠ WARNING: Perform the following steps after each use:

- Allow engine to cool before storing or transporting.
- Store unit and fuel in a well ventilated area where fuel vapors cannot reach sparks or open flames from water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.
- Store unit with all guards in place. Position unit so that any sharp object cannot accidentally cause injury.
- Store unit and fuel well out of the reach of children.

SEASONAL STORAGE

Prepare unit for storage at end of season or if it will not be used for 30 days or more.

If your unit is to be stored for a period of time:

- Clean the entire unit before lengthy storage.
- Store in a clean dry area.
- Lightly oil external metal surfaces.

FUEL SYSTEM

Under FUELING ENGINE in the OPERATION section of this manual, see message labeled IMPORTANT regarding the use of gasoline in your engine.

Fuel stabilizer is an acceptable alternative in minimizing the formation of fuel gum deposits during storage. Add stabilizer to the gasoline in the fuel tank or fuel storage container. Follow the mix instructions found on stabilizer container. Run engine at least 5 minutes after adding stabilizer.

ENGINE

- Remove spark plug and pour 1 teaspoon of 40:1, 2-cycle engine oil (air cooled) through the spark plug opening. Slowly pull the starter rope 8 to 10 times to distribute oil.
- Replace spark plug with new one of recommended type and heat range.
- Clean air filter.
- Check entire unit for loose screws, nuts, and bolts. Replace any damaged, broken, or worn parts.
- At the beginning of the next season, use only fresh fuel having the proper gasoline to oil ratio.

OTHER

- Do not store gasoline from one season to another.
- Replace your gasoline can if it starts to rust.

TROUBLESHOOTING TABLE

⚠ WARNING: Always stop unit and disconnect spark plug before performing all of the recommended remedies below except remedies that require operation of the unit.

TROUBLE	CAUSE	REMEDY
Engine will not start.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ON/OFF switch in OFF position. 2. Engine flooded. 3. Fuel tank empty. 4. Spark plug not firing. 5. Fuel not reaching carburetor. 6. Carburetor requires adjustment. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Move ON/OFF switch to ON. 2. See "Starting a Flooded Engine" in Operation Section. 3. Fill tank with correct fuel mixture. 4. Install new spark plug. 5. Check for dirty fuel filter; replace. Check for kinked or split fuel line; repair or replace. 6. Contact an authorized service dealer.
Engine will not idle properly.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Idle speed set too high or too low. 2. Crankshaft seals worn. 3. Compression low. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. See "Carburetor Adjustment" in Service and Adjustments Section. 2. Contact an authorized service dealer. 3. Contact an authorized service dealer.
Engine will not accelerate, lacks power, or dies under a load.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Air filter dirty. 2. Spark plug fouled. 3. Carburetor requires adjustment. 4. Carbon build-up on muffler outlet screen. 5. Compression low. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clean or replace air filter. 2. Clean or replace plug and regap. 3. Contact an authorized service dealer. 4. Contact an authorized service dealer. 5. Contact an authorized service dealer.
Engine smokes excessively.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Choke partially on. 2. Fuel mixture incorrect. 3. Air filter dirty. 4. Carburetor requires adjustment. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adjust choke. 2. Empty fuel tank and refill with correct fuel mixture. 3. Clean or replace air filter. 4. Contact an authorized service dealer.
Engine runs hot.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fuel mixture incorrect. 2. Spark plug incorrect. 3. Carburetor requires adjustment. 4. Carbon build-up on muffler outlet screen. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. See "Fueling Engine" in Operation section. 2. Replace with correct spark plug. 3. Contact an authorized service dealer. 4. Contact an authorized service dealer.
Chain moves at idle speed.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Idle speed requires adjustment. 2. Clutch requires repair. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. See "Carburetor Adjustment" in Service and Adjustments Section. 2. Contact an authorized service dealer.

LIMITED WARRANTY

ELECTROLUX HOME PRODUCTS, INC., warrants to the original purchaser that each new **Poulan PRO**® brand gasoline tool or attachment is free from defects in material and workmanship and agrees to repair or replace under this warranty any defective gasoline product or attachment as follows from the original date of purchase.

2 YEARS - Parts and Labor, when used for household purposes.

90 DAYS - Parts and Labor, when used for commercial, professional, or income producing purposes.

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This warranty is not transferable and does not cover damage or liability caused by improper handling, improper maintenance, or the use of accessories and/or attachments not specifically recommended by **ELECTROLUX HOME PRODUCTS, INC.**, for this tool. Additionally, this warranty does not cover tune-ups, spark plugs, filters, cutting line, or rotating head parts that will wear and require replacement with reasonable use during the warranty period. This warranty does not cover predelivery setup or normal adjustments explained in the instruction manual.

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU MAY HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE.

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U.S. EPA EMISSION CONTROL WARRANTY STATEMENT

YOUR WARRANTY RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS: The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency and **POULAN/WEED EATER, DIVISION OF WCI OUTDOOR PRODUCTS, INC.**, are pleased to explain the emissions control system warranty on your year 2001-2004 small off-road engine. **POULAN/WEED EATER** must warrant the emission control system on your small off-road engine for the periods of time listed below provided there has been no abuse, neglect, or improper maintenance of your small off-road engine. Your emission control system includes parts such as the carburetor and the ignition system. Where a warrantable condition exists, **POULAN/WEED EATER** will repair your small off-road engine at no cost to you. Expenses covered under warranty include diagnosis, parts and labor. **MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTY COVERAGE:** If any emissions related part on your engine (as listed under Emissions Control Warranty Parts List) is defective or a defect in the materials or workmanship of the engine causes the failure of such an emission related part, the part will be repaired or replaced by **POULAN/WEED EATER**.

OWNER'S WARRANTY RESPONSIBILITIES: As the small off-road engine owner, you are responsible for the performance of the required maintenance listed in your instruction manual. **POULAN/WEED EATER** recommends that you retain all receipts covering maintenance on your small off-road engine, but **POULAN/WEED EATER** cannot deny warranty solely for the lack of receipts or for your failure

to ensure the performance of all scheduled maintenance. As the small off-road engine owner, you should be aware that **POULAN/WEED EATER** may deny you warranty coverage if your small off-road engine or a part of it has failed due to abuse, neglect, improper maintenance, unapproved modifications, or the use of parts not made or approved by the original equipment manufacturer. lou7re8er151

quired maintenance, or which is scheduled only for regular inspection to the effect of "repair or replace as necessary" shall be warranted for 2 years. Any warranted part which is scheduled for replacement as required maintenance shall be warranted for the period of time up to the first scheduled replacement point for that part. **DIAGNOSIS:** The owner shall not be charged for diagnostic labor which leads to the determination that a warranted part is defective if the diagnostic work is performed at an approved POULAN/WEED EATER servicing center. **CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES:** POULAN/WEED EATER may be liable for damages to other engine components caused by the failure of a warranted part still under warranty. **WHAT IS NOT COVERED:** All failures caused by abuse, neglect, or improper maintenance are not covered. **ADD-ON OR MODIFIED PARTS:** The use of add-on or modified parts can be grounds for disallowing a warranty claim. POULAN/WEED EATER is not liable to cover failures of warranted parts caused by the use of

add-on or modified parts. **HOW TO FILE A CLAIM:** If you have any questions regarding your warranty rights and responsibilities, you should contact your nearest authorized service center or call POULAN/WEED EATER at 1-800-554-6723. **WHERE TO GET WARRANTY SERVICE:** Warranty services or repairs shall be provided at all POULAN/WEED EATER service centers. Call 1-800-554-6723. **MAINTENANCE, REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OF EMISSION RELATED PARTS:** Any POULAN/WEED EATER approved replacement part used in the performance of any warranty maintenance or repair on emission related parts will be provided without charge to the owner if the part is under warranty. **EMISSION CONTROL WARRANTY PARTS LIST:** Carburetor, Ignition System: Spark Plug (covered up to maintenance schedule), Ignition Module. **MAINTENANCE STATEMENT:** The owner is responsible for the performance of all required maintenance as defined in the instruction manual.

This engine is certified to be emissions compliant for the following use:

- ☒ Moderate (50 hours)
- ☐ Intermediate (125 hours)
- ☐ Extended (300 hours)